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Hi there,

Question on this: "While we continue to investigate the root causes of last week's release of mining waste at the Gold King Mine in Colorado, **we are instructing our Regions to immediately cease any field investigation work at mines including tailings facilities.**"

How many EPA field investigations are currently taking place at mines and tailing facilities in the U.S.? I.e. how many will stop for now?

Much appreciated.

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